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## NRC Schedules Meeting to Discuss Safety Performance of URENCO USA Fuel Facility

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has scheduled a public meeting on Wednesday, April 27, to discuss the results of its regulatory safety performance review of the URENCO USA commercial nuclear fuel fabrication plant in Eunice, N.M.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. MDT at the City of Eunice Community Center, 906 12th Street in Eunice. The meeting is open to the public and the media, and NRC officials will be available after the formal presentation to answer questions.

The NRC staff assessed performance of URENCO USA during the assessment period beginning Jan. 1, 2014 and ending Dec. 31, 2015, in safety operations, radiological controls, facility support and other areas. The NRC staff review determined that the company continued to conduct its activities safely and securely, protecting public health and the environment.

The review found that none of the program areas needed improvement, which means the NRC will continue its normal inspection program for such facilities.

"The NRC inspects URENCO USA and other nuclear fuel facilities on a continuous basis to monitor their safety performance," said NRC Region II Administrator Cathy Haney. "We post our inspection reports online and we also hold regular meetings near the facilities to discuss our oversight and answer questions from members of the public."

A copy of the <u>NRC letter</u> to the company regarding the performance review is publicly available on the NRC website.